Note to Parents:

The teachers would appreciate it if the children's P.E kits could be left in school, labelled and in a clearly marked P.E bag. The children can keep their P.E kits in school on their pegs and you are welcome to take them home for washing as it suits you. Please note that jewellery is limited to stud earrings and watches only. Due to health & safety, during PE they should be removed.

All of year 3 share the same days for their PE lessons this year. They will be on a **Monday** and **Thursday** afternoon.

We often find that jumpers and coats go missing. We encourage the children to put them on their own pegs, but it is extremely helpful to have the **child's name clearly** visible in their clothes so that it can be passed on, if found elsewhere.

Homework:

In Year 3, homework will usually be sent home weekly on a Friday and is expected to be returned to the class teacher by the following Thursday. The Year 3 staff would appreciate it if you could spend some time supporting your child with their homework each week as we feel this benefits their progress. For any children where their homework is not completed a homework club will take place on a Friday lunchtime that they will attend to complete what hasn't been done.

Our homework covers a range of English and Maths activities that reinforce work in class. Occasionally topic work may be the homework focus, but this will be clearly explained to your child and to yourself.

In addition spelling will be sent out on a Friday. Your child should practice spelling these words both on their own as well as within a sentence. The spelling will be focused on in class and particularly in phonics sessions throughout the week.

Contributions from home:

Your support is invaluable and really does make a difference to your child's learning. This term we would particularly welcome help with certain activities that we will inform you of throughout the term.

Supporting Readers:

If you are able to come in and listen to children read it would be a great help. Please contact your child's teacher if you would like to support reading in the class, or if you would like to help with something else that is going on this term.

Thank you for all your help and support in advance. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you again! The Year 3 Team.



Teaching plans for the Autumn Term 2017

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Auton, Mrs Bowden, Mrs Tapp, Mrs Worthy, Mrs McCarthy, Miss Osbourne

Experiences / visits / visitors:

Throughout the term the children will be gaining an insight into the Stone Age through a range of experiences. These experiences include a visit to Ham Woods to build dens.

The children will take part in a Stone Age day (costumes needed!), which will include making fire, creating jewellery and tools made from items in the natural environment.

A trip to Kents Cavern will bring the Stone Age to life. This trip will really enable the children to gain an understanding of how humans survived. There will also a 'Lantern Parade' which has been very successful over the past couple of years.

The curriculum in Key Stage 2

The curriculum is planned over a year.

On the inside of this plan there is information on the work your child will be doing this term. If one of the curriculum boxes is empty or less full, it means that this particular subject is not a major focus this term but will be covered at some point in the academic year.

Reading in Year 3



As is the same with every year, home reading is a vital part of a child's progression through school. This year we will be starting our "Read Around the World" challenge and this will run all year. Children will earn miles for each time they read to an adult

that is recorded in their reading record. For every read that a child records at home they will earn 100 miles and will need to read 5 times in order to achieve a sticker for their passport. The children's aim is to reach different destinations around the world and make it all the way back to Plymouth. Throughout the year there will be many 'supersonic' reading weeks where children can achieve more miles for a read.